DOA Administrative Letter No. 01-2

To: Area Agency on Aging Directors

Subject: Preliminary SFY 00-01 Regional Allocations

Date: January 25, 2001

Enclosed, please find the SFY 01-02 preliminary regional allocations for the following:

- 1. Planning and Administration;
- 2. Title III-B, VII, and State funded Ombudsman and Elder Abuse;
- 3. Minimum budget amounts for in-home services, access services, and legal services;
- 4. Senior center outreach funding;
- 5. Title III-D Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Funding;
- 6. Title III-E Family Caregiver Support funding (available beginning in SFY 00-01, upon receipt of federal grant award by the Division of Aging); and
- 7. Home and Community Care Block Grant funding

North Carolina received increased Title III funding for federal fiscal year 2001 through the reauthorized Older Americans Act. The state made modest gains through increased funding and benefited substantially through revised allocation procedures to states. The Administration on Aging now computes full funding on the basis of states' projected 60+populations rather that applying full funding to hold states harmless against funding loss. This will continue to benefit high growth states such as North Carolina.

As required in the reauthorized Act, the Division has specified an amount of Title III-D Health Promotion funding to be expended on medication management, screening and education as a part of the total Title III-D award. We will provide further guidance on this in the near future. The State received a small increase in Title VII ombudsman funding, all of which is being allocated to regions.

The 2000 amendments also authorize the National Family Caregiver Support Program through Title III-E. A full discussion of this funding is being provided through Administrative Letter 01-1. To date, the Division has been informed of our Title III-E award amount; however, we have not received the award notification from the Administration on Aging. We expect to receive the notification within the next 3 weeks and will amend ARMS to accept Title III-E data during this time. Our grant award will be retroactive to the Act reauthorization date in November, 2000, so expenditure time frames will not be an issue. We will notify area agencies when Title III-E reimbursement requests can be submitted.

The attached allocation provides your Title III-E funding through June 30, 2002. The Division will carry forward the portion of your allocation not expended as of June 30, 2001. The Older Americans Act specifies that III-E funding be matched at 25% with

non-federal resources. Because we are making the Family Caregiver Support funding available during the current state fiscal year, we will not be able to provide state matching resources until July 1, 2000. We will provide a schedule of III-E carry forward funding and state match to area agencies during late July, 2001. The P&A worksheet identifies the III-E portion of SFY 01-02 P&A funding for information only. There are no special restrictions or requirements on this portion of your P&A award.

The regional allocations awarded through the intrastate funding formula reflect 1990 census data, adjusted to 2001 population projections by the State Data Center. As required through Chapter 1095, 1987 Session Laws, state caregiver support funding is allocated on the basis of current 70+ population projections. The SSBG and State In-Home funding continues to be awarded on the basis of state DSS expenditures for SFY 91.

SFY 01-02 county funding equity targets are provided on the SFY 01-02 County Funding Chart in the Target H&CCBG column. Prior to February 7, area agencies not already meeting county equity targets are to review these targets and make any adjustments based on county equity plans established in Exhibit 15 of the current Area Plan. Area agencies are to complete and return the attached county funding format to Gary Cyrus by February 7. If, based upon the funding stated in the Target H&CCBG column, no changes are being made in a county allocation, indicate "no change' in the Revised Target H&CCBG Total column of the attached worksheet. The Division will review this information and will jointly with each area agency on aging provide Home and Community Care Block Grant funding to each county by February 15.

Please contact Gary Cyrus at (919) 733-8390 with any questions concerning this information.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

cc: DOA Staff (Management team being provided with all attachments)

SFY 01-02 County Equity Worksheet

	Area Agency on Aging	
	County allocation Stated on	
	SFY 01-02 County Funding	Revised County
	Chart, Target H&CCBG	Allocation, <u>Target</u>
County	Column	H&CCBG Column